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Dear Parents/Carers

Results Day and End of Year Breakfast - 20th August

I hope you and your families are well and that you have had the opportunity to enjoy the lovely weather we have had recently. We are now into a period where the 'lockdown' that has affected us all so much is starting to be eased. I am sure that, like myself, you are looking forward to a return to 'normality' while at the same time being very concerned about the future health of family and friends.

So I write to you as we enter the fourth month of partial school closure. In any other year, Year 11 would be officially leaving having completed all their GCSEs and Vocational qualifications. Instead we have been wrestling with a very complex process of producing Centre Assessed Grades for all subject entries, and not only nominating the grade we would expect the student to achieve but also placing all students who we nominate for a particular grade in rank order. The students themselves must feel they are in some sort of limbo as they await the grades in August. For every student who is relieved not to have had to sit the exams, there is another who will be disappointed not to have the chance to 'pull it out of the bag' with a storming exam performance.

What a year 2019-20 has been for our Year 11 students. We are extremely proud and impressed with how well the students have focussed and engaged with their learning over the years. They have shown incredible resilience and determination to ensure the best possible outcomes in these turbulent times.



Year 11 class of 2020



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Results Day and Celebratory Get together

While we look forward to seeing the Class of 2020 in a more formal goodbye, we would like to mark the end of the school year and their time at Atlantic with a get together on results day. This will give us all a proper chance to say goodbye and a chance to celebrate all their hard work, dedication and time at school. Therefore, we would like to extend the normal results day event by inviting all Year 11 students to a Leavers' Breakfast on **Thursday 20th August 2019**.

This event will give students time to receive their GCSE and Vocational results and take part in a social distancing shirt signing. It will also be an opportunity to relax and enjoy seeing everyone back together in an informal gathering: to say goodbye to fellow students and to the staff who have supported them over the past years.

Results Day Timings

Results will be available for collection from 9:00am and the brunch will start at 9:45 with the event finishing at 11:00. To help support with planning for social distancing, catering and facilitating the event, please can you complete this [google form](#) to indicate attendance to the celebration of the class of 2020. Should the government guidance change, and we have the opportunity to increase capacity to enable us to invite parents as well, we will update you closer to the time.

Equipment, books and uniform

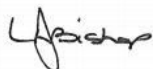
Please can all Academy equipment books and resources be returned at this time as well. This includes any chromebooks which have been borrowed, textbooks and revision guides. We would also appreciate any uniform items that you would like to donate.

Formal Goodbye and Prom

We are still hoping to host a formal event such as a *Winter Ball* to celebrate the students' time at Atlantic but, at this time, we are unable to confirm this or give any further details. If this is something that you wish to take part in, please indicate on the google form linked above.

Finally, I would like to wish all of our Year 11 students every success in their future as they start to prepare for their next phase and emerge as young independent adults with many doors open to them. I look forward to us all meeting again on results day. Until then, stay safe and take care.

Yours faithfully



Mrs Lesley Bishop
Principal of Secondary at Atlantic Academy